CNHS TALKS

This spring all talks are in-person and will be held in the David Attenborough Building. The DAB is on the New Museums Site, off Pembroke/Downing Street CB2 3QZ. There is no car parking on the site but the Grand Arcade car park nearby is free of charge after 6:00 p.m.

Tea and coffee available beforehand. All welcome and there is no admission charge.

If you do not arrive on time for in-person talks which are at 6:45 p.m. you may not be able to get in.

All talks will also be available online via Zoom and you will be emailed the Zoom link. Your video and audio will be off when you join in order to give maximum bandwidth to the speaker. At the end of the talk chat will be enabled to ask questions, or you can raise your virtual hand.

All talks may be recorded. If so, Society members will be sent a link to allow them to hear it again or if they were unable to attend, at their leisure.

CNHS FIELD STUDIES

Our field studies in 2025 will cover the designated sites of Coe Fen County Wildlife Site (CWS), Sheep's Green CWS, Paradise Local Nature Reserve CWS, River Cam CWS, New Bit City Wildlife Site (CiWS) and Hobsons Conduit CiWS.

Provisional dates are 23rd March, 27th April, 28th May and 18th June. Further dates to be arranged.

Meeting times and places will be emailed to those on the CNHS mailing lists.

To join the list, email CNHS_mailings-join@cnhs.org.uk

DIARY OF CNHS EVENTS

JANUARY 2025

Thursday 23rd Insect conservation: conserving the *little things that run the world* Ed Turner In person talk, David Attenborough Building 6:45 p.m.

Thursday 30th *The marine world* Frances Dipper In person talk, David Attenborough Building 6:45 p.m.

FEBRUARY 2025

Thursday 6th Alice Hibbert-Ware: Nature study and the Little Owl Food Enquiry (1936-7) Max Long In person talk, David Attenborough Building 6:45 p.m.

Thursday 13th Squirrels of the British Isles: Red, Grey and Black! Helen McRobie

In person talk, David Attenborough Building 6:45 p.m.

Thursday 20th *Great Fen: Progress on the peat*Henry Stanier *This talk will not be recorded.*In person talk, David Attenborough Building 6:45 p.m.

Thursday 27th *CNHS field studies 2024*Duncan Mackay and Jonathan Shanklin
In person talk, David Attenborough Building 6:45 p.m.

MARCH 2025

Thursday 6^h The history of forests Charles Turner In person talk, David Attenborough Building 6:45 p.m.

Thursday 13th The Cambridgeshire Bird Club – 1925 to 2025: A century of bird watching Bob Jarman In person talk, David Attenborough Building 6:45 p.m.

Thursday 20th CNHS AGM 6:30 p.m. followed by *Natural materials for musical instruments* In person talk, David Attenborough Building 6:45 p.m.

Sunday 23rd CNHS field studies

CONVERSAZIONE 2025

We are planning the 106th Conversazione and would welcome offers to help organise it. We expect it will be in mid-April but cannot confirm the dates. Photos of the 2024 Conversazione are on our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/CNHS1857

COUNCIL 2024/25

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CAMBRIDGE NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

The Society was founded as the Cambridge Entomological Society in 1857



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